

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In re of:**

<b>Application No.:</b>	10/531,259	<b>Examiner:</b>	Trang T. Doan
<b>Filing Date:</b>	April 24, 2006	<b>Art Unit:</b>	2131
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**For:** METHOD FOR CARRYING OUT A SECURE ELECTRONIC  
TRANSACTION USING A PORTABLE DATA SUPPORT

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED AUGUST 27, 2008**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is responsive to the Office Action mailed August 27, 2008 regarding the above-identified application. Reconsideration of the application is requested in view of the amendments and comments presented herein.

**AMENDMENTS**

**Amendments to the Specification**

The specification is amended as shown in the following pages under the heading "AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION."

**Amendments to the Claims**

The claims are amended as shown in the following pages under the heading "LIST OF CURRENT CLAIMS". This listing of claims supersedes all prior listings of the claims presented in this application, shows the current status of all claims in the application and shows currently proposed amendments. Any cancellation of claims is made without prejudice

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